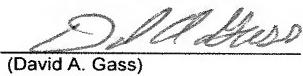


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### **SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This paper is presented in response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements, dated April 21, 2008. This paper is timely filed.

A complete listing of the existing claims is not presented herein because no changes are being made to the claims, no claims are being canceled, and no claims are being added.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

An **Amendment to Introduce Sequence Listing** begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

Appended hereto is a sequence listing (2 pages).